

## Partnering for Prosperity — Grant Programs

MDOT administers several grant assistance programs to promote transportation alternatives that facilitate access to everyday needs, support local economies, and enhance quality of life.



# Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) roads.maryland.gov/Index.aspx?PageId=144

- Funding: Federal TAP allocation administered by MDOT-SHA (State Highway Administration) in coordination with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)
- Objective: Enhancing the cultural, aesthetic, historic, and environmental aspects of the intermodal transportation system.
- Eligible applicants: Local governments, regional transportation authorities, transit agencies, natural resource or public land agencies, school districts and local education agencies, tribal governments, and other local and governmental entities with oversight of transportation or recreational trails.
- Requirements: Projects must be open to the public and serve a transportation purpose, among other requirements.

## Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS)

roads.maryland.gov/Index.aspx?PageId=735

- Funding: Federal TAP allocation administered by MDOT-SHA
- Objective: Supporting infrastructure and noninfrastructure activities that enable and encourage children to safely walk, bicycle or roll to school.
- Requirements: 20% cash match, must benefit elementary and middle school children in grades K-8, and must be located within a 2 mile radius of a school.

#### **Recreational Trails Program**

www.sha.maryland.gov/Index.aspx?PageId=98.

• Funding: Federal TAP allocation administered

#### by MDOT-SHA

- Objective: Developing community-based, motorized and non-motorized recreational trail projects.
- Preferred projects: Connect communities with natural/ cultural areas or tourism areas, have broad-based community support, link or complete existing trails, mitigate impacts on the natural environment, and involve youth conservation corps or service groups.

### Transportation/Land Use Connections (TLC) Program

www.mwcog.org/transportation/planning-areas/land-use-coordination/tlc-program.

- Funding: Administered by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG)
- Objective: Providing technical assistance for local jurisdictions in planning matters relating to coordination of transportation and land use.

#### **Highway Safety Grants Program**

www.mva.maryland.gov/safety/mhso/grantsmanagement.htm

- Funding: Federal allocation administered by MDOT-MVA (Motor Vehicle Administration)
- Objective: Reducing the number of motor vehiclerelated crashes, deaths, and injuries on Maryland highways.
- Requirements: Match one of the top safety priorities and implement the strategies identified in the Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

#### **Bikeways Program**

www.mdot.maryland.gov/Bikeways.



- Funding: State transportation funds administered by MDOT-TSO (The Secretary's Office)
- Objective: Promote biking as a fun, healthy, and environmentally-friendly transportation alternative
- Requirements: Must be one of the following to address network gaps and improve bicycle facility access:
  - 1) Minor Retrofit
  - 2) Design
  - 3) Construction

